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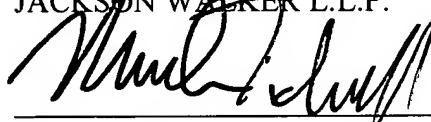
Claims 17-28, 30-42, 45, 47-48, 50-51, 53-69 and 86-87 remain pending in the application. Claim 24 has been amended.

The Examiner has objected to Claim 24 as being dependent from itself. Likewise, the Examiner has objected to Claims 25-28 since they depend from Claim 24. Applicant has amended the typographical error of Claim 24 by making Claim 24 dependent from independent Claim 17. As such, Claims 24-28 should now be allowable.

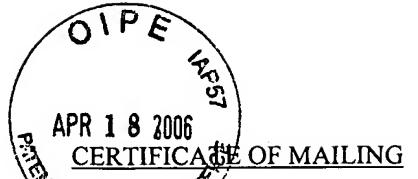
But for dependence objections arising from Claim 24, all other claims have been indicated as allowable. Thus, given that Applicant has corrected Claim 24, all claims should now be allowable.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference with the undersigned would be helpful to the allowance of this application or has any questions or concerns about the amendments, a telephone conference is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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